

March 8th. House Communications Standards Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the House Communications Standards Commission: Representatives Morelle, Sherman, and Underwood.

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Senate Referral: S. 724 was held at the desk.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H1217–18.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1231, H1231–32 and H1232.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Committee Meetings

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a business meeting on Budget Views and Estimates Letter of the Committee on Agriculture for Fiscal Year 2024. The Committee's Budget Views and Estimates were approved.

RIISING RISKS: MANAGING VOLATILITY IN GLOBAL COMMODITY DERIVATIVES MARKETS

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Rising Risks: Managing Volatility in Global Commodity Derivatives Markets". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE PUBLIC WITNESS DAY 2

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled "American Indian and Alaska Native Public Witness Day 2". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on the Government Publishing Office. Testimony was heard from Hugh Nathaniel Halpern, Director, Government Publishing Office.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held an oversight hearing on the Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General. Testimony was heard from Phyllis

K. Fong, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Agriculture.

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MEMBER DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing entitled "Member Day". Testimony was heard from Representatives McGovern and Lee of Nevada.

U.S. AGENCY FOR GLOBAL MEDIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs held an oversight hearing on the U.S. Agency for Global Media. Testimony was heard from Amanda Bennett, Chief Executive Officer, U.S. Agency for Global Media.

DEFENSE IN A DIGITAL ERA: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, AND SECURING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cyber, Information Technologies, and Innovation held a hearing entitled "Defense in a Digital Era: Artificial Intelligence, Information Technology, and Securing the Department of Defense". Testimony was heard from John Sherman, Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense; and Craig Martell, Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Officer, Department of Defense.

SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER PERSPECTIVE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing entitled "Senior Enlisted Leader Perspective". Testimony was heard from Michael A. Grinston, Sergeant Major of the Army, U.S. Army; James M. Honea, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, U.S. Navy; JoAnne S. Bass, Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, U.S. Air Force; Troy E. Black, Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, U.S. Marine Corps; and Roger A. Towberman, Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force, U.S. Space Force.

U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES AND COMMAND—CHALLENGES AND RESOURCE PRIORITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Special Operations held a hearing entitled “U.S. Special Operations Forces and Command—Challenges and Resource Priorities for Fiscal Year 2024”. Testimony was heard from General Bryan Fenton, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command, Department of Defense; and Christopher Maier, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict, Department of Defense.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and Workforce: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 734, the “Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act of 2023”; and H.R. 5, the “Parents Bill of Rights Act”. H.R. 734 and H.R. 5 were ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 750, the “Chinese-owned Applications Using The Information of Our Nation Act of 2023”; H.R. 784, the “Internet Application Integrity and Disclosure Act”; H.R. 742, the “Telling Everyone the Location of data Leaving the U.S. Act”; H.R. 813, the “Global Investment in American Jobs Act of 2023”; H.R. 752, the “Securing Semiconductor Supply Chains Act of 2023”; H.R. 1068, the “Securing America’s Critical Minerals Supply Act”; H.R. 1121, the “Protecting American Energy Production Act”; H.R. 1085, the “Researching Efficient Federal Improvements for Necessary Energy Refining Act”; H.R. 1058, the “Promoting Cross-border Energy Infrastructure Act”; H. Con. Res. 14, a resolution expressing disapproval of the revocation by President Biden of the Presidential permit for the Keystone XL pipeline; H. Con. Res. 17, a resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Federal Government should not impose any restrictions on the export of crude oil or other petroleum products; H.R. 1130, the “Unlocking Our Domestic LNG Potential Act”; H.R. 1115, the “Promoting Inter-agency Coordination for Review of Natural Gas Pipelines Act”; H.R. 1070, a bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to treat the owner or operator of a critical energy resource facility as having been issued an interim permit for the treatment, storage, and disposal, of hazardous waste, and for other purposes; H.R. 1131, a bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to authorize the use of flexible air permitting with respect to certain critical energy resource facilities, and for other purposes; H.R. 1140, a bill to authorize

the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to waive application of certain requirements with respect to processing and refining of a critical energy resource at a critical energy resource facility, and for other purposes; H.R. 1158, the “Elimination of Future Technology Delays Act”; H.R. 1141, the “Natural Gas Tax Repeal Act”; H.R. 1023, a bill to repeal section 134 of the Clean Air Act, relating to the greenhouse gas reduction fund; and H.R. 1155, the “Keeping America’s Refineries Act”. H.R. 750, H.R. 784, H.R. 742, H.R. 813, H.R. 1068, H. Con. Res. 17, H.R. 1115, H.R. 1070, H.R. 1130, H.R. 1058, and H.R. 1140 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 752, H.R. 1121, H.R. 1085, H. Con. Res. 14, H.R. 1131, H.R. 1158, H.R. 1141, H.R. 1023, and H.R. 1155 were ordered reported, without amendment.

U.S. PUBLIC MARKETS BUILT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY: EXPLORING REFORMS TO MAKE OUR PUBLIC MARKETS ATTRACTIVE FOR SMALL AND EMERGING COMPANIES RAISING CAPITAL

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets held a hearing entitled “U.S. Public Markets Built for the 21st Century: Exploring Reforms to Make Our Public Markets Attractive for Small and Emerging Companies Raising Capital”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU: RIPE FOR REFORM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Monetary Policy of the Committee on Financial Services held a hearing entitled “Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: Ripe for Reform”. Testimony was heard from Keith Ellison, Attorney General, Minnesota; and public witnesses.

COINCIDENCE OR COORDINATED? THE ADMINISTRATION’S ATTACK ON THE DIGITAL ASSET ECOSYSTEM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Digital Assets, Financial Technology and Inclusion held a hearing entitled “Coincidence or Coordinated? The Administration’s Attack on the Digital Asset Ecosystem”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXPANDING THE ABRAHAM ACCORDS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia held a hearing entitled “Expanding the Abraham Accords”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONFRONTING THREATS POSED BY THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY TO THE U.S. HOMELAND

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence held a hearing entitled “Confronting Threats Posed by the Chinese Communist Party to the U.S. Homeland”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Modernization held a business meeting on the Subcommittee Rules for the 118th Congress. The Subcommittee adopted its Rules for the 118th Congress.

A VIEW OF HOUSE MODERNIZATION: PERSPECTIVES FROM THE CAO

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Modernization held a hearing entitled “A View of House Modernization: Perspectives from the CAO”. Testimony was heard from Catherine Szpindor, Chief Administrative Officer, U.S. House of Representatives.

HEARING ON THE WEAPONIZATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON THE TWITTER FILES

Committee on the Judiciary: Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government held a hearing entitled “Hearing on the Weaponization of the Federal Government on the Twitter Files”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HEARING ON COMPLIANCE WITH COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Responsiveness and Accountability to Oversight held a hearing entitled “Hearing on Compliance with Committee Oversight”. Testimony was heard from Carlos Uriarte, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice; and Gwen Graham, Assistant Secretary for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Department of Education.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1335, the “Transparency, Accountability, Permitting, and Production of American Resources Act”. H.R. 1335 was ordered reported, as amended.

OVERSIGHT OF OUR NATION’S LARGEST EMPLOYER: REVIEWING THE U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Our Nation’s Largest Employer: Reviewing the U.S. Of-

fice of Personnel Management”. Testimony was heard from Kiran Ahuja, Director, U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

INFLATION: A PREVENTABLE CRISIS

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services held a hearing entitled “Inflation: A Preventable Crisis”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WASTE, FRAUD, AND ABUSE GO VIRAL: INSPECTORS GENERAL ON CURING THE DISEASE

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Subcommittee on Government Operations and the Federal Workforce held a hearing entitled “Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Go Viral: Inspectors General on Curing the Disease”. Testimony was heard from Richard Delmar, Acting Inspector General, Department of the Treasury; Sheldon Shoemaker, Deputy Inspector General, Small Business Administration; and Larry D. Turner, Inspector General, Department of Labor.

THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION’S FLIGHT PLAN: EXAMINING THE AGENCY’S RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND FUTURE PLANS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing entitled “The Federal Aviation Administration’s Flight Plan: Examining the Agency’s Research and Development Programs and Future Plans”. Testimony was heard from Shelley Yak, Director, William J. Hughes Technical Center, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

FAA REAUTHORIZATION: SECURING THE FUTURE OF GENERAL AVIATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing entitled “FAA Reauthorization: Securing the Future of General Aviation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE FUTURE OF WORKFORCE PROTECTIONS FOR SERVICEMEMBERS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Examining the Future of Workforce Protections for Servicemembers”. Testimony was heard from James Rodriguez, Assistant Secretary for Veterans’ Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

ACCOUNTABILITY AT VA: LEADERSHIP DECISIONS IMPACTING ITS EMPLOYEES AND VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Accountability at VA: Leadership Decisions Impacting its Employees and Veterans". Testimony was heard from Tracey Therit, Chief Human Capital Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 187, the "Default Prevention Act". H.R. 187 was ordered reported, as amended.

ANNUAL WORLD WIDE THREATS HEARING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee began a hearing entitled "Annual World Wide Threats Hearing". Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Scott Berrier, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; William Burns, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Avril Haines, Director of National Intelligence; General Paul Nakasone, Commander, U.S. Cyber Command and Director, National Security Agency; and Christopher Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee concluded a hearing entitled "Annual World Wide Threats Hearing". Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Scott Berrier, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; William Burns, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Avril Haines, Director of National Intelligence; General Paul Nakasone, Commander, U.S. Cyber Command and Director, National Security Agency; and Christopher Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation. This hearing was closed.

Joint Meetings

COUNTERING RUSSIA'S TERRORISTIC MERCENARIES

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine countering

Russia's terroristic mercenaries, after receiving testimony from Justyna Gudowska, The Sentry, former attorney-advisor for the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury; Jason Blazakis, Middlebury Institute of International Studies Center on Terrorism, Extremism, and Counterterrorism, former Director of the Counterterrorism Finance and Designations Office, Bureau of Counterterrorism, Department of State; and Jason Wright, Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt and Mosle LLP.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "U.S. and Adversary Hypersonic Programs", 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Defending America's Wireless Leadership", 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled "How Do We Encourage Greater Flood Insurance Coverage in America?", 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing entitled "2022 Midterms Look Back Series: Successes in the 2022 Midterm Elections", 9 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Administrative State, Regulatory Reform, and Antitrust, hearing entitled "Reining in the Administrative State: Reclaiming Congress's Legislative Power", 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, hearing entitled "President Biden's Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Request with Treasury Secretary Yellen", 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.